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## PHONE TALKS GOOD EVIDENCE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 10.—  
Telephone conversation, if otherwise  
admissible, may be admitted as evi-  
dence in California courts as a result  
of a decision handed down by the State  
Supreme Court yesterday reversing a  
nonsuit granted the Western Union  
Telegraph Company by the lower court  
in an action brought against it by the  
Union Construction Company for dam-  
ages arising from the alleged negli-  
gence of the company in failing to  
deliver telegrams to the plaintiff.

In laying down this rule, the court  
referred to the vast volume of business  
transacted by means of the telephone,  
and in this particular case, where the  
agents of the plaintiff called up the  
telegraph company to inquire if tele-  
grams for them had been received and  
were answered in the negative, there  
was sufficient circumstantial evidence  
to make a prima facie case of identity  
and authority.

### Rule for Phone Talks.

"The general rule from the decisions  
in other States," said the decision, "is  
that where it is known that the witness  
called up the other party at his place  
of business, through the central sta-  
tion with which both were connected,  
and received response as in the usual  
course of business over the telephone,  
this is sufficient prima facie identifi-  
cation of the speaker at the other end  
of the line as the party called, or his  
authorized agent, and that, upon such  
proof, the ensuing conversation, if oth-  
erwise admissible, may be testified to  
by the witness. It is proper to add  
that the weight of such evidence de-  
pends largely upon the circumstances  
of each case and is always a question  
for the trial court or jury."

According to the Supreme Court, the  
lower court erred in excluding the  
evidence of two agents of the con-  
struction company relating to tele-  
phone conversation with the San Fran-  
cisco office of the telegraph company.  
In the case in question the plaintiff  
had an option with the Risdon Iron  
Works for a contract for pipe line on  
the Stanislaus river for \$143,000.

**Time Limit on Deal.**  
The night on which the option ex-  
pired, January 8, 1907, the company's  
engineers wired the San Francisco  
agent of the company and also the  
manager in Tuolumne county to close  
the deal.

The manager was in San Francisco,  
and accordingly notice was forwarded  
by wire to him. Both telegrams were  
received in the evening at the San  
Francisco office, but were not delivered  
until after 9 o'clock the following  
morning, by which time the Risdon  
Iron Works had raised the price \$21,-  
000. Telephone inquiry at the tele-  
graph office elicited the response that  
there was no telegram there, this be-  
ing subsequently disproved.

## SULTAN OF MUSCAT ADOPTING PLAN TO END ARMS TRAFFIC

LONDON, June 25.—It is under-  
stood that the regulation of the arms  
traffic in his territory by the Sultan  
of Muscat, which was foreshadowed  
some months ago in the Monitor, has  
now been instituted on a regular  
basis.

According to Reuters Agency a no-  
tification has been issued by the Sul-  
tan in which the present system of  
keeping large stocks of arms and am-  
munition stored without proper con-  
trol in private buildings in the town  
of Muscat is condemned and the an-  
nouncement is made that, in order to  
do away with this condition of affairs,  
his highness has arranged to estab-  
lish a warehouse in which arms and  
ammunition will be stored under  
proper precautions.

On and after Sept. 1 next all arms  
dealers in the territory of the Sultan  
will be required to deposit in the  
warehouse any stocks remaining in  
their hands on that date. No arms  
will be permitted to leave the ware-  
house without a license nor until duty  
has been paid on them in the usual  
way, and licenses will only be issued  
on the production of satisfactory  
proof that the destination of the arms  
and ammunition is open to no ob-  
jection. It is further notified that all  
arms leaving the warehouse will be  
marked.

## DREADNOUGHT OF AUSTRIA A FAILURE

VIENNA, July 11.—Despite official  
denials, reports are persistent in cir-  
culation that the construction of the  
first Austrian dreadnaught, the \$12,  
000,000 Viribus Unitus, has proved a  
complete failure. The warship is top-  
heavy, and all efforts to lighten her  
so far have proved unsatisfactory.  
Massive portions of iron and steel  
turrets have been sealed down to such  
a degree that certain parts have  
buckled and have had to be re-en-  
forced with iron plates.

Steel rollers for raising and lower-  
ing heavy guns have been drilled out,  
thereby reducing their weight, but  
at the same time lessening their  
power of resistance to such an ex-  
tent that in the event of the rapid  
firing of the guns the rollers will  
collapse and render the guns useless.

### TOO SOON FOR CANAL.

It is 47 miles across the Isthmus of  
Panama, and to get to the other side  
three dump barges have recently been  
towed around the Horn, a nice little  
journey of 10,500 miles.

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## INSURGENTS WIN IN HARD FIGHT

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 11.—  
After a day of almost constant wran-  
gling, interspersed now and then with  
hymns and prayers, the National Pro-  
hibition Convention tonight overthrew  
the existing administration and elected  
G. Hushaw of Portland, Ore., as na-  
tional chairman of the party.

The convention voted down a pro-  
posed plank in the platform demand-  
ing that the separation of church and  
state be perpetual and that no public  
money be appropriated to sectarian  
churches and schools.

Adjournment then was taken until  
tomorrow, when candidates for Presi-  
dent and Vice President will be named.  
The insurgents early in the day wor-  
ried their fight to have the chairman elect-  
ed by the convention instead of ap-  
pointed by the national committee.  
Hushaw's selection came on the fifth  
ballot. Between ballots on the na-  
tional chairmanship the convention de-  
voted its time to the adoption of a  
platform.

The delegates were in turmoil most  
of the time. Several times when the  
disorder was at its height the chair-  
man brought about tranquillity by  
starting a song or by having someone  
start a prayer.

The platform, as originally presented  
by the resolutions committee, was  
changed in several particulars. Some  
of the delegates contended there was  
not enough prohibition in the docu-  
ment, so strong phrases were added on  
that subject.

Dr. Silas Swallow of Pennsylvania  
sought to add a declaration against  
the wearing of clerical garb in schools.  
Father George Zurcher of Buffalo, a  
Catholic priest and delegate, declared  
this would be interpreted as an af-  
front to Catholics. A vote was taken  
on the plank, and it was lost.

Hinshaw, the new chairman of the  
party, is an attorney in Portland and  
is president of the Intercollegiate Pro-  
hibition Association.

**Taft and Roosevelt Both Denounced.**  
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 10.—  
The eleventh national Prohibition  
convention got under way here today, but  
at three sessions progressed little be-  
yond the preliminaries of organization.  
There were developments enough, how-  
ever, to indicate a strong undercurrent  
of "insurgency" in the party and to  
forecast a fight for a more progressive  
and aggressive attitude in the coming  
campaign.

The feature of the day was the ad-  
dress of the temporary chairman of the  
convention, Clinton N. Howard of  
Rochester, N. Y., known as the "little  
giant." Howard aroused the delegates  
to a high pitch of enthusiasm by  
roundly denouncing President Taft,  
Colonel Roosevelt and the Republican  
and Democratic parties in general.

"We already have two whisky par-  
ties and don't need another," he shout-  
ed. The delegates caught up and cheer-  
ed the sentiments of the chairman.  
When he characterized President Taft  
as a "wet nurse to the saloon," there  
were shouts of "Amen!" from all cor-  
ners of the convention hall.

When he denounced Colonel Roose-  
velt as the "least desirable of all the  
candidates" there was a prolonged  
demonstration of approval. Governor  
Woodrow Wilson he disposed of with  
this faint praise: "A good man, per-  
haps, but we have had 'good men' in  
the White House before and they have  
gone out with the country more sat-  
urated with rum than it was when they  
went in."

So enthusiastic were the delegates  
over Chairman Howard's address that  
they ordered it printed as a campaign  
text-book and started a boom for Mr.  
Howard for President.

## EFFECT OF PANAMA CANAL UPON BRITISH EMPIRE DISCUSSED

LONDON, Eng., June 25.—A paper  
was read recently by Dr. Vaughan  
Cornish on "The Panama Canal and  
its Relation to the British Empire" at  
the Whitehall rooms.

The chair was taken by Lord Bras-  
sey, who opened the meeting with a  
short address. He was followed by  
Dr. Cornish, who referred to the Hay  
Pauncefote treaty with Great Britain.  
He said that by this treaty the United  
States undertook that the canal  
should be opened on terms of entire  
equality to ships of all nations, whether  
merchant ships or ships of war, during  
times of peace or during hostilities.

The effect of the Panama canal on  
the British empire would lie to a  
great extent on the enormous reduc-  
tion of sea distances. The future  
would witness the establishment by  
British and European companies of  
services from European waters to New  
York and San Francisco, via the can-  
al, and on to Asia, connecting with  
other ships of the same line at Hong  
Kong.

The British West Indies would be-  
come, at the opening of the canal, of  
first-rate importance, both from a  
strategic and a commercial point of  
view, for they would no longer be at  
the entrance of a cul de sac but on a  
great highway of commerce.

BERLIN, June 25.—The disappear-  
ance of Finland as an autonomous  
state has brought the Russian empire  
to the very frontiers of Sweden, and  
the building of the railways from  
Helsingfors to Tornea and from Vi-  
borg right across the grand duchy is  
regarded with some apprehension in  
the country.

In this connection some articles  
which have appeared lately in the  
Reichsbote, a Lutheran Conservative  
organ, are of interest. The journal  
advocates the formation of an agree-  
ment or league between Germany and  
the Scandinavian states, having for  
object mutual aid and protection in  
the event of war with Russia. It also  
points out the economic and defens-  
ive advantages of such a union, as  
well as the political importance  
which it would lend to the northern  
states.

## Make the Liver Do its Duty

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*W. D. Wood*

## CHAMP CLARK'S FOOLISH TALK

Champ Clark, who came so near  
getting the nomination at the Dem-  
ocratic convention, is credited with  
saying that he hoped to live to see  
every vestige of a custom house dis-  
appear from this country, and he has  
not changed his view, one particle,  
says an exchange. Mr. Clark  
has, however, been a little more dis-  
creet about his utterances since he  
became Speaker, and since his entry  
into the race for the presidential nom-  
ination. But he is as radical follower  
of Bryan now as in the past.

In a recent speech at Frankfort,  
Kentucky, he declared that the "Pro-  
tective Tariff costs the people of this  
country a billion and a half dollars  
yearly," and that "it is a gross out-  
rage and cruelty upon the taxpayers."

Taking as his basis \$330,000,000  
paid into the treasury as revenue, he  
assumes that five times that amount,  
or considerably more than a billion  
and a half dollars, is paid by the  
people to swell the profits of Ameri-  
can manufacturers. This is, of  
course, a ridiculous assertion. It  
conveys the inference that the sell-  
ing price of pretty much the whole  
volume of domestic merchandise has  
been increased to the extent and be-  
cause of the tariff on competitive im-  
ports. If this were true, the increased  
prices paid on the entire value of  
\$21,000,000,000 worth of domestic man-  
ufactures would amount to about \$8,-  
000,000,000 instead of the \$1,500,000,-  
000 named by Clark. Of course, it is  
not true either as to the \$8,000,000,000  
or the \$1,500,000,000. It is not true  
as to our \$750,000,000 of dutiable im-  
ports, for in most cases the foreign  
producer pays the American tariff in  
cutting down his prices so as to en-  
able him to pay our tariff and still get  
into our market.

One of the invariable results of the  
American Protective Tariff has been  
to cut down foreign prices. Our tariff  
on steel rails was at one time \$28 a  
ton, and the price of rails was \$100 a  
ton. Now the tariff is \$8.50 per ton,  
and the price is \$28 a ton. The Euro-  
pean price being practically the same,  
the American price, tariff added,  
should be \$31.50 a ton. But it is not.  
It is \$28. The price of tin plate, prior  
to 1890, was \$5 per hundred pounds.  
McKinley put a tariff on tin plate to  
encourage its manufacture in this  
country, and in a short time the Brit-  
ish makers were selling their tin plate  
in our markets, duty paid, at \$3. Ac-  
cording to Champ Clark's theory tin  
plate should have sold here at \$7 after  
the tariff had been put on. But it did  
not; it sold at \$3. The tariff did not  
add to the price; it reduced the price  
from \$5 to \$3. What the tariff did,  
and what it has unfailingly done, was  
to establish the industry in the United  
States. American enterprise, as-  
sured by a Protective Tariff of the  
opportunity to do business, and Ameri-  
can competition, which no tariff has  
ever checked or stifled, conjoined to  
break down the high prices previously  
extorted by the British tin plate mak-  
ers when we had no tin plate mills  
of our own and our market was at  
the mercy of foreign producers. So  
it has been in all lines of industrial  
productions. The American Protec-  
tive Tariff has never cost the Ameri-  
can one dollar by reason of raising  
prices to the American producer. On  
the contrary, it has so lowered prices  
that it has saved to American consum-  
ers many billions of dollars.

## EASTERNERS OUT FOR PAN-AMERICAN TRADE

NEW YORK, N. Y., July 2.—To pro-  
mote and conserve reciprocal trade re-  
lations between the United States and  
the other American countries is the  
purpose of the Pan-American States  
Association, which has just been or-  
ganized here by leaders in the South  
and Central American export trade. Its  
permanent headquarters include four  
floors of a big office building. The  
president of the association is F. A.  
Wurzbacker, a New York banker. His  
associates include Judge Alton B. Par-  
ker, Hiram Maxim, Simon Patino, a  
South American millionaire, and Her-  
berto Barron, a Mexican lawyer. The  
list of vice-presidents includes Ad-  
miral George Dewey, Judge George  
Gray, Colonel George Harvey, Major  
General Leonard Wood and Colonel  
Henry Watterson.

The governors of 23 of the States  
of the Union and Governor George R.  
Cotton of Porto Rico compose a gov-  
ernors' board.

The principal work of the associa-  
tion for the present will be the main-  
tenance of a permanent exhibit of Pan-  
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believe that it will be instrumental  
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of the commercial advantage to accrue  
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